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In Re Application of:

Richard J. Assarabowski, et al

Docket No: C-2536

Serial No: 10/043,791

Examiner: Dah-Wei D. Yuan

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Group Art Unit: 1745

Title: Method and Apparatus for Preventing Water in Fuel Cell Power Plants
from Freezing During Storage

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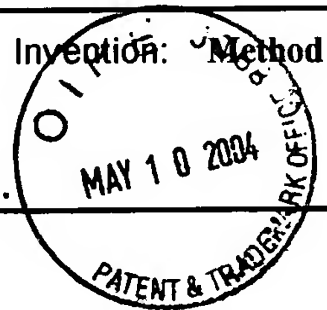

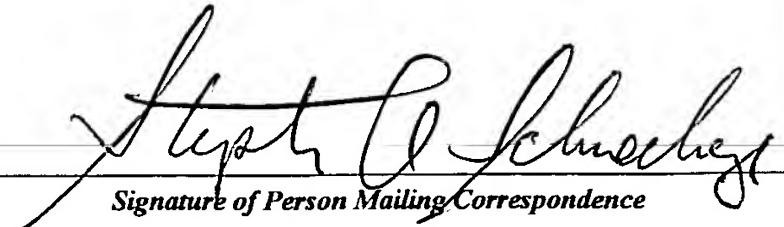
2nd Response/ Amendment in RCE

This is in response to the Office Action mailed Feb. 20, 2004. Applicants respectfully request entry and favorable consideration/reconsideration of the following amendments and remarks/arguments:

Please amend the claims in accordance with the **"Amendments to the Claims"** that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Please consider the **"Remarks/Arguments"** that begin on page 8 of this paper.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)				Docket No. C-2536	
Applicant(s):					
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Invention: Method and Apparatus for Preventing Water in Fuel Cell Power Plants from Freezing During Storage					
<div></div> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u></p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.</p>					
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00
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